

## HiDRO model forms revised

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The Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees has approved revised Hawaii Domestic Relations Orders (HiDRO) forms that include two additional options to determine the portion of a pension to be paid to an alternate payee in a divorce action.

Initially, the forms, ERS-300 (Pre-Retirement) and ERS-301 (Post Retirement), included the Linson formula (a formula provided by the Hawaii Supreme Court in the Linson case), to determine the alternate payee's share based on the member's or retiree's service credits accrued from the date of marriage to the date of divorce.

This formula option remains in the HiDRO model form. However, divorce courts often award alternate payees shares of pensions by way of modified Linson formulas, either based on service credits accrued from the date of marriage to separation, or based on a defined number of service credits (irrespective of dates). The two added formulas accommodate modified Linson formulas.

The revised forms and other HiDRO information is located at: <a href="https://ers.ehawaii.gov/hidro">https://ers.ehawaii.gov/hidro</a>.